A RESOLUTION CONCERNING BUDGET CUTS TO THE UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT

WHEREAS, the mission of the Student Bar Association is to represent the will of the students at the University of Connecticut School of Law;

WHEREAS, the Governor's proposed budget would leave the University of Connecticut with a \$159.6 million shortfall in the fiscal year of 2024, and a \$197.1 million shortfall in the fiscal year of 2025;

WHEREAS, any decreasements in the University of Connecticut's funding, from the State government, will be detrimental to the School of Law, and its students;

WHEREAS, while funding to other State programs is also necessary, appropriate funding of higher education must be at the forefront of any State that values competition, affordability, and its future;

WHEREAS, the University of Connecticut and, by extension, the University of Connecticut School of Law provides the State with invaluable economic and social benefits;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the University of Connecticut School of Law's Student Bar Association opposes the budget cuts to the University of Connecticut proposed by Governor Ned Lamont, Jr. for the 2024 and 2025 fiscal years;

THEREFORE BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, the Student Bar Association stands behind University of Connecticut President Radenka Maric, School of Law Dean Eboni Nelson, University of Connecticut Government Relations, and other members of the University community in their efforts to gain the appropriate amount of State funding for the University of Connecticut.

From the University of Connecticut School of Law Student Bar Association Board, on behalf of the

University of Connecticut School of Law Community

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